

# EXHIBIT 1

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO AND OAKLAND DIVISION

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THOMAS FERNANDEZ, et al., )  
Plaintiffs, )  
vs. ) Case No.  
K-M INDUSTRIES HOLDING CO., INC., et al., ) C-06-07339 CW  
Defendants. )  
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1 Q Was William E. Moore the president and CEO  
2 of Kelly-Moore Paint until you took over?

3 A He definitely was president. I'm not sure  
4 of the CEO title.

5 Q Was anyone president between Mr. Moore and  
6 you?

7 A No.

8 Q Do you know why he stepped down in 1984?

9 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

10 A He told me that he wanted to retire. And  
11 that's why he hired me.

12 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

13 Q Did he play an active role in running the  
14 company after 1984 when you took over as president?

15 MR. LOVITT: Object to the form.

16 A Yes.

17 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

18 Q What role did he play at that time?

19 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

20 A He was chairman and was very active in  
21 running the company.

22 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

23 Q Did he come into the office regularly?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Did he come in every day?

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1 A Yes.

2 Q Did you work closely with him during that  
3 time?

4 A Yes.

5 Q How long did Mr. Moore continue to play an  
6 active role in running Kelly-Moore Paint?

7 A I would say up until the 2002 period.

8 Q That's approximately when you left  
9 Kelly-Moore; is that correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Did he stop playing an active role in  
12 running the company while you were still president?

13 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

14 A Say that again. State that again, please.

15 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

16 Q Did he stop playing an active role in  
17 running the company during the time that you were  
18 president?

19 A No, he didn't stop playing an active role.

20 Q Do you have any knowledge as to whether he  
21 continued to play an active role in running the company  
22 after you left?

23 A I don't.

24 Q I am going to ask you to look at a short  
25 document. This will be the next exhibit. This will be

1 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

2 A That's what it was intended to be.

3 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

4 Q And did that, in fact, happen?

5 A No.

6 Q Did someone else take over coordinating the  
7 asbestos litigation?

8 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

9 A Yes.

10 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

11 Q Who took that role over?

12 A Herb Giffins.

13 Q Up until the date of this document was it  
14 your responsibility to coordinate the asbestos  
15 litigation?

16 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

17 A No.

18 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

19 Q Was that among your responsibilities?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Did anyone else have a responsibility for  
22 coordinating the asbestos litigation?

23 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

24 A Yes.

25 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

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1 Q Who else had that responsibility?

2 A Our attorney, Cheryl Mills, and Herb  
3 Giffins was taking more and more responsibility for the  
4 asbestos.

5 Q What was your role with respect to the  
6 asbestos litigation at Kelly-Moore?

7 A It varied during the years.

8 Q When did you first get involved with the  
9 asbestos litigation at Kelly-Moore?

10 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

11 A Probably late '90s.

12 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

13 Q Do you recall specifically which year?

14 A Not good on years so you may have to help  
15 me on some of these. '97, '98, I'd guess.

16 Q It was before the ESOP got put into place;  
17 is that correct?

18 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

19 A Yes, I believe so.

20 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

21 Q When you first became involved with  
22 asbestos litigation at Kelly-Moore, what was your role?

23 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

24 A I believe it was funneling the information  
25 that the insurance companies were sending in to

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1 your responsibilities to track the number of lawsuits  
2 filed against Kelly-Moore with respect to asbestos?

3 A No.

4 Q Did someone at Kelly-Moore have that  
5 responsibility?

6 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

7 A Not that I am aware of.

8 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

9 Q Did Cheryl Mills have that responsibility?

10 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

11 A Yes.

12 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

13 Q Did she report that information to you?

14 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

15 A Yes.

16 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

17 Q How often did Ms. Mills report information  
18 to you regarding the number of lawsuits filed against  
19 Kelly-Moore relating to asbestos?

20 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

21 A I can't recall.

22 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

23 Q Do you recall when Cheryl Mills became  
24 involved?

25 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

1 A Not that I remember, no.

2 Q Other than the issue with information flow  
3 that we have been talking about, do you recall  
4 discussing any other aspect of the asbestos litigation  
5 with Mr. Moore during the 1980s?

6 A Not really because it wasn't a problem  
7 then. It was, you know, it was nuisance value. That's  
8 the way it was always referred to in the company. It  
9 was, you know, there was no grave concern about it. It  
10 was just product liability issues that we faced every  
11 day, so it was not a big issue then.

12 Q Earlier we were discussing what your role  
13 was with respect to the asbestos litigation when you  
14 first became involved in approximately 1997. And you  
15 said that at first your role was to funnel information  
16 from the insurance companies to Mr. Moore and  
17 Mr. Ferrari; is that correct?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And at some point did your role with  
20 respect to the asbestos litigation change?

21 MS. SMITH: Objection. Form.

22 A Yes, as the number of lawsuits cranked up,  
23 it was my role to get someone -- in this case it was  
24 Cheryl Mills -- to coordinate that because Mr. Moore was  
25 very adamant that I was hired to run the Paint Company.

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1 And he wanted me focusing on the Paint Company, and the  
2 only way I could do that was to get some outside  
3 resource to focus on the asbestos problem.

4 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

5 Q So then was it one of your responsibilities  
6 to oversee Ms. Mills' work?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And what was involved in that?

9 A She became the one that was totally  
10 responsible for dealing with the insurance companies,  
11 with anything to do with asbestos. And, frankly, the  
12 way that it worked was that Cheryl reported to me but I  
13 passed the information on to Steve Ferrari and  
14 Mr. Moore, who was still very much involved in the  
15 asbestos litigation -- not the litigation but the  
16 asbestos issue.

17 Q What were they involved in relating to  
18 asbestos issues that was not the litigation?

19 A Just overseeing what was going on in any of  
20 the asbestos issues that were raised. I'm trying to  
21 think of a specific and I can't come up with one right  
22 now. But they were -- Steve Ferrari, for example, would  
23 be responsible for paying Cheryl and monitoring her  
24 bills and that type of thing.

25 Q Other than passing along information to

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1 Q Did they handle commercial litigation?

2 MR. LOVITT: Object to the form.

3 A Can you -- what do you mean by commercial?

4 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

5 Q Let me ask it a different way. Did  
6 Kelly-Moore have other law firms that it used to handle  
7 other kind of litigation besides the asbestos and the  
8 environmental litigation?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And when did Pillsbury Levinson first begin  
11 doing work for Kelly-Moore?

12 A I would say early '90s.

13 Q Do you know whether Ms. Mills had direct  
14 contact with Mr. Ferrari with respect to asbestos  
15 litigation?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Do you know whether she had direct contact  
18 with Mr. Moore with respect to asbestos litigation?

19 A Yes.

20 Q And what type of contact did Ms. Mills have  
21 with Mr. Ferrari?

22 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

23 A She probably talked with Steve Ferrari more  
24 than she talked with me.

25 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

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1 Q And can you tell me how it is that you know  
2 that?

3 A Just comments from Steve, that he had  
4 talked to Cheryl. And it was more frequently than I had  
5 talked to her.

6 Q Do you know what Ms. Mills and Mr. Ferrari  
7 discussed in those conversations?

8 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

9 A No, I'm not sure.

10 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

11 Q And you said she had direct contact with  
12 Mr. Moore as well?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And what is your basis for knowing that?

15 A Either Cheryl would mention to me that she  
16 had talked to Mr. Moore or Mr. Moore would mention to me  
17 that he had talked to Cheryl.

18 Q Do you recall Mr. Moore ever telling you  
19 what he had spoken with Ms. Mills about?

20 MS. SMITH: Objection.

21 A Mostly around asbestos litigation but I  
22 don't recall anything specific.

23 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

24 Q Do you recall -- did Mr. Moore ever tell  
25 you that he had spoken with Ms. Mills regarding the

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1 Q Did you talk about this conversation with  
2 Mr. Moore?

3 A I don't recall whether we did or not.

4 Q Did you discuss insurance coverage for  
5 asbestos litigation with Mr. Moore at any time before  
6 the ESOP transaction in October of 1998?

7 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

8 A Not that I can recall.

9 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

10 Q Just to clarify is that you believe you  
11 didn't have any such conversation or you simply can't  
12 remember whether you had one or not?

13 MS. SMITH: Objection. Asked and  
14 answered.

15 A I may have had a conversation but it was  
16 ten years ago and I just don't recall it.

17 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

18 Q Is it your recollection that you did have  
19 such a conversation with Mr. Moore then?

20 A I don't recall it.

21 Q Did you tell employees about this  
22 conversation with Cheryl Mills?

23 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

24 A I didn't, no.

25 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

1 Q Do you know whether anyone else did?

2 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

3 A Not that I am aware of.

4 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

5 Q Do you recall how long this telephone  
6 conversation with Ms. Mills was?

7 A No, I'm sorry, I don't.

8 Q Do you have an estimate of how long it was?

9 A I'm sorry, I don't. That was a long time  
10 ago.

11 Q Did you receive any written reports from  
12 Ms. Mills prior to this phone call on October 1st?

13 MS. SMITH: Object to form. Asked and  
14 answered.

15 A Prior to the -- well, I think earlier in  
16 that year she sent us the memo that I was referring to  
17 that the accountants had to have, EY had to have for  
18 their March '98 -- '97 -- of the year '97. In March  
19 of '98 they would have had to put a report together.  
20 And I am fairly certain that Cheryl must have given us  
21 something like a report, something in writing prior to  
22 this date, which would have been included in the  
23 March '98 EY report -- financial report.

24 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

25 Q So that report you would have received in

1 A I don't know.

2 Q Do you know whether anyone gave the  
3 information in this letter to Ernst & Young?

4 A I don't know.

5 Q Do you know whether the letter was given to  
6 Duff & Phelps?

7 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

8 A I don't know.

9 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

10 Q Do you know whether the information in the  
11 letter was given to Duff & Phelps?

12 A I don't know.

13 Q Was the information in this letter  
14 communicated to the employees of Kelly-Moore Paint  
15 besides you and Mr. Ferrari and Mr. McDonald?

16 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

17 A Not that I'm aware of.

18 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

19 Q Do you know whether Mr. Moore received this  
20 letter?

21 A He didn't receive it from me, but he could  
22 have received it from someone else. I'm not sure. I  
23 don't know.

24 Q Did you ever talk about this letter with  
25 him?

1 did because he was very analytical.

2 Q Did he say anything to you about the price  
3 that Menke would charge as opposed to the price of  
4 another installation firm?

5 A No, I don't recall that at all.

6 Q What was the purpose of the ESOP?

7 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

8 A The discussion that he had with me was  
9 around diversification. All of his estate was in  
10 Kelly-Moore stock and the Paint Company. And he  
11 mentioned that he wanted to diversify that. That was  
12 part of it. The other part, he after reading about the  
13 ESOP, he said that that would be a good way to motivate  
14 the people and also give them a piece of the action,  
15 give them part ownership in the company. And those are  
16 the couple of the reasons that I recall him saying.

17 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

18 Q Do you recall when he expressed those  
19 reasons to you?

20 A No, no, I don't.

21 Q Was it in 1998, do you think?

22 A Yes, yes.

23 Q Do you recall having more than one  
24 discussion with Mr. Moore regarding the purpose for  
25 setting up the ESOP in 1998?

1 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

2 Q Have you ever reviewed any documents in the  
3 asbestos repository?

4 A No.

5 Q What's the source of your understanding of  
6 what is contained in the repository?

7 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

8 A Any document related to asbestos would go  
9 into those file cabinets.

10 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

11 Q And where did you learn what is kept in the  
12 asbestos repository?

13 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

14 A From Mr. Moore when I originally came to  
15 work, a couple years later when I -- when asbestos  
16 became an issue.

17 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

18 Q Is it your understanding that the asbestos  
19 repository includes information regarding the number of  
20 claims filed against Kelly-Moore with respect to  
21 asbestos?

22 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

23 A I'm not sure what was in there. There were  
24 file cabinet after file cabinet of folders. I'm not  
25 sure what was in there.

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1 at the last full paragraph on the page? Well, let me  
2 ask you this. When you received this letter in 2000,  
3 did you read it?

4 A Yes, I did.

5 Q Did you pass it along to anyone?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Who did you pass it to?

8 A Mr. Moore.

9 Q Did you discuss this letter with Mr. Moore?

10 A I don't recall.

11 Q Did Mr. Moore say anything to you about  
12 this letter in 2000?

13 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

14 A Not that I recall, no.

15 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

16 Q Do you know whether Mr. Ferrari received  
17 this letter?

18 A No, I don't know.

19 Q Did you give him the letter? Did you give  
20 Mr. Ferrari this letter?

21 A Not that I can recall, no.

22 Q Do you see the sentence in the last  
23 paragraph, the last full paragraph on the second page  
24 that says, it is unknown how many claims will ultimately  
25 be made against Kelly-Moore; therefore, it is impossible

1 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

2 A Yes.

3 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

4 Q Do you know whether this letter was ever  
5 given to Mr. Ireland?

6 A I don't know.

7 Q And when I say Mr. Ireland -- I can't  
8 remember if we established this or not -- I am referring  
9 to Robert Ireland who performed valuations for the -- of  
10 the KMH Paint tracking stock for the ESOP. Is that your  
11 understanding of who Mr. Ireland is as well?

12 A Yes.

13 Q And do you know whether this letter was  
14 given to him?

15 A No, I don't know.

16 Q Do you know whether this letter was given  
17 to Ernst & Young?

18 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

19 A I don't know that either.

20 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

21 Q Do you know whether the information in the  
22 letter was given to Ernst & Young?

23 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

24 A I don't know.

25 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

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1 Q And do you know whether the information in  
2 the letter was given to Mr. Ireland?

3 A I don't know.

4 Q Do you know whether the letter was given to  
5 Duff & Phelps?

6 A I don't know.

7 Q Or the information in it, do you know if  
8 that was given to Duff & Phelps?

9 A I don't know.

10 Q Do you know if the information was  
11 communicated to Kelly-Moore employees?

12 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

13 A Not that I am aware of.

14 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

15 Q Was Ms. Mills an expert on valuing asbestos  
16 contingent liabilities?

17 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

18 A I don't know.

19 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

20 Q Do you know whether she ever asked an  
21 outside entity that specialized in valuing asbestos  
22 claims to do a projection of Kelly-Moore's potential  
23 claims or payments?

24 A Not to my knowledge.

25 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

1 A No.

2 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

3 Q Are you aware that a company called Reed  
4 Decorative Products looked into purchasing Kelly-Moore  
5 in 1981?

6 A Yes.

7 Q When did you learn that?

8 A 1984.

9 Q How did you learn that?

10 A Mr. Moore.

11 Q Was that in a conversation?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Was that a face to face conversation or a  
14 phone call?

15 A Face to face.

16 Q Was that at Kelly-Moore offices?

17 A Boy, trying to remember. No, I think it  
18 was at a restaurant.

19 Q So this wasn't a formal meeting?

20 A No.

21 Q Do you recall the context in how the  
22 information came up?

23 A Yes.

24 Q What was that context?

25 A Mr. Moore was -- I was division president

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1 of Sherwin Williams. Mr. Moore was recruiting me from  
2 Sherwin Williams. And during the discussion of coming  
3 to work for Kelly-Moore, he said that a few years before  
4 he had had negotiations with Reed International to sell  
5 the company and that the communications had fallen  
6 through over the British pound sterling re-evaluation or  
7 something along those lines and that he had decided not  
8 to sell the company to them and instead go out and hire  
9 the first president other than him of the company. And  
10 he was recruiting me for that job.

11 Q Did Mr. Moore tell you that Reed as part of  
12 its due diligence in considering purchasing Kelly-Moore  
13 had an actuarial study done of Kelly-Moore's potential  
14 asbestos litigation liabilities?

15 A No. He told me that it was all over the  
16 British pound sterling.

17 Q I am going to mark the next exhibit. We  
18 are up to 114, aren't we? Let's mark 115 as well.

19 (Exhibit No. 114 and 115 marked  
20 for identification.)

21  
22 Q For the record Exhibit 114 is Bate stamped  
23 NS 00016905. And Exhibit 115 is Bate stamped NS  
24 00016908 through 910. I am sorry. Exhibit 114 is 905  
25 through 907.

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1 sure that the situation had not changed from what she  
2 said had been going on before that. So that would be  
3 the only instance that I can think of that might respond  
4 to that question.

5 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

6 Q Did you provide the letters that Ms. Mills  
7 wrote to you to valuers performing valuations of KMH  
8 tracking stock for purposes of the ESOP transactions?

9 A No.

10 MS. SMITH: Objection to form. Vague.

11 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

12 Q Do you know whether anyone else did?

13 MS. SMITH: Objection to form.

14 A Not the best of my knowledge.

15 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

16 Q Were you aware that in the late 1990s  
17 Ms. Mills looked into obtaining additional insurance  
18 coverage for past asbestos exposure?

19 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

20 A No.

21 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

22 Q Did you ask her to do that?

23 A Not that I can recall, no.

24 Q Do you know whether someone else at  
25 Kelly-Moore asked her to do that?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Did Mr. Moore respond?

3 A Yes.

4 Q What was his response?

5 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

6 A No. He was -- he was adamant that he was  
7 going to be the administrator.

8 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

9 Q Did he say why he was adamant that he was  
10 going to be the administrator?

11 A No.

12 Q When you say you felt we should have had an  
13 outside administrator, why did you feel that?

14 A To protect --

15 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

16 A -- both the participants of the ESOP and  
17 also to protect Mr. Moore, I felt that it should be an  
18 independent outside administrator.

19 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

20 Q Were you concerned that there was a  
21 conflict of interest between Mr. Moore's role as ESOP  
22 committee member and his role as the selling  
23 shareholder?

24 MR. SULLIVAN: Object to the form.

25 A No, frankly that wasn't my area of concern.

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1 It was more around it would be a lot safer if you had an  
2 outside administrator, and the employees would probably  
3 be more comfortable with an outside administrator.

4 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

5 Q You said one of the reasons for  
6 recommending an outside administrator was to protect the  
7 participants. Can you tell me how was it that having an  
8 outside administrator would protect the participants?

9 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

10 A I just felt that an independent outside  
11 administrator would probably have the interest of the  
12 employees uppermost, No. 1.

13 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

14 Q Were you concerned that Mr. Moore might  
15 not?

16 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

17 A No, but I just felt more comfortable if it  
18 was an outside administrator.

19 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

20 Q When you say you think it would be safer to  
21 have an outside administrator, can you tell me what you  
22 mean? Safer from what?

23 A Problems.

24 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

25 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

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1 Q What kind of problems?

2 A Well, I don't know. I don't have  
3 specific -- just it seemed a lot cleaner, a lot easier  
4 to have an outside administrator. And specific  
5 problems, I really don't have any.

6 Q Did he tell you why he was adamant that he  
7 wanted to be the administrator?

8 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

9 A No, he just told me that he was going to be  
10 the administrator.

11 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

12 Q If he said so, that's how it was; right?

13 A That was it.

14 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

15 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

16 Q To your knowledge did Mr. Moore ever  
17 consider having an independent fiduciary represent the  
18 ESOP for purposes of the transaction?

19 MS. SMITH: Object to the form.

20 MR. SULLIVAN: Object to the form.

21 A Do you mean as the administrator of the  
22 ESOP? Is that --

23 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

24 Q I mean, specifically to represent the ESOP  
25 in the transaction in which the ESOP purchased stock

1 from the Moore Trust.

2 A He never talked to me about that.

3 Q Did you ever --

4 A Sorry, I don't know.

5 Q Excuse me. I didn't mean to speak over  
6 you.

7 A I just said that so I don't know.

8 Q Did you ever recommend that he considered  
9 having an independent fiduciary represent the ESOP in  
10 the transaction?

11 MR. SULLIVAN: Object to the form.

12 A I only recommended things to him once. And  
13 so the answer would be no. I did not recommend it after  
14 that time, that one discussion.

15 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

16 Q There was no separate legal counsel for the  
17 trustee and the ESOP; is that correct --

18 MS. SMITH: Object to the form.

19 MR. SULLIVAN: Object to the form.

20 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

21 Q -- at the time of the 1998 transaction?

22 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

23 A I really don't know actually.

24 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

25 Q Do you know whether you knew in 1998

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1 looked at yesterday.

2 Q Other than the documents that you think you  
3 saw yesterday, do you have any other basis for recalling  
4 that Mr. Brooks spoke with Mr. Ferrari during his  
5 process of creating his valuation reports in 1998?

6 A No, I don't.

7 Q Would you turn to Exhibit 53. Could you  
8 look through this briefly and tell me if you recognize  
9 it?

10 A I saw it yesterday. Other than that I  
11 don't recognize it.

12 Q Did you ever receive a request from  
13 Mr. Brooks for information in connection with his  
14 preparation of valuation reports in 1998?

15 A No.

16 Q Did you have any involvement with providing  
17 information or documents to Mr. Brooks in connection  
18 with his 1998 valuations?

19 MS. SMITH: Objection to form.

20 A No.

21 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

22 Q Do you have any knowledge of what  
23 information or documents were provided to Mr. Brooks for  
24 purposes of his 1998 valuations?

25 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

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1 A No.

2 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

3 Q Do you know whether Mr. Brooks received  
4 financial projections in connection with his valuations  
5 in 1998?

6 MR. LOVITT: Excuse me, please. Please  
7 repeat the question.

8 MS. HASSELMAN: Could you read it back?

9 (Record read by the reporter.)

10  
11 A Again yesterday I believe I saw some data  
12 like that in the information that I went over at the  
13 attorney's office.

14 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

15 Q But other than seeing some documents  
16 yesterday, you are not aware of any -- well, let me say  
17 that a different way.

18 Other than seeing some documents yesterday,  
19 do you have any basis for any knowledge of whether  
20 Mr. Brooks received financial projections in 1998?

21 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

22 A No.

23 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

24 Q Do you have any knowledge on regarding  
25 whether Mr. Brooks received any information on

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1 Kelly-Moore's asbestos litigation liabilities?

2 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

3 A No, I don't have any information.

4 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

5 Q Did you have any conversations with  
6 Mr. Moore regarding Exhibit 9, which is the August 1998  
7 report from Mr. Brooks?

8 A No, not that I can recall.

9 Q Did Mr. Moore say anything to you about  
10 Mr. Brooks' valuation that came out in August of 1998?

11 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

12 A No.

13 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

14 Q Did you have any conversations with  
15 Mr. Ferrari about the August 1998 report?

16 A Not that I can recall.

17 Q Did you have any conversations with  
18 Mr. Moore regarding the October 12, 1998, letter to the  
19 board that's marked as Exhibit 55?

20 A No.

21 Q And did Mr. Moore say anything to you about  
22 the report that is reflected in Exhibit 55?

23 A Not that I can recall, no.

24 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

25 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

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1 Q Did you have any conversations with  
2 Mr. Moore regarding the valuation conclusion that  
3 Mr. Brooks had reached for the Paint Company stock?

4 A No.

5 Q Did Mr. Moore make the final decision about  
6 what the transaction price would be between the ESOP and  
7 the Moore Trust?

8 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

9 A Yes, I believe so, yeah.

10 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

11 Q Are you aware of whether there is any  
12 negotiation about the transaction price?

13 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

14 A I'm not aware of whether he did or didn't,  
15 no, I don't know.

16 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

17 Q And both of those questions I am referring  
18 to the 1998 transaction. Is that how you understood my  
19 question?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Did you have any input on the transaction  
22 price?

23 A No.

24 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

25 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

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1 Q Do you know why that was added?

2 A I think that was about the time that Cheryl  
3 was now writing direct to EY, and we didn't feel a need  
4 that we had to continue putting anything in from ours  
5 because it was going directly from Cheryl to EY. She  
6 was sending documents then to them. And the little bit  
7 I can remember about it, I think we were a little bit  
8 sensitive about saying something in here that wasn't  
9 exactly what Cheryl said. So I think she was -- she  
10 was -- if I got the dates right, I think she was the one  
11 feeding the information to EY after this point rather  
12 than Steve and I trying to feed the information to  
13 her -- to EY.

14 Q Could you look at Exhibit 76? Have you  
15 seen this document before?

16 A I believe I saw this yesterday in the  
17 attorney's office.

18 Q Do you know whether you saw it prior to  
19 yesterday?

20 A I don't believe I saw it.

21 Q A moment ago you said that by the time of  
22 Exhibit 125 that Ms. Mills was writing directly to EY.  
23 Is this the letter that you are referring to when you  
24 say she was writing directly to EY?

25 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

1 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

2 Q Okay. Let's look at Exhibit 75 briefly to  
3 clear up this dispute. Do you have Exhibit 75?

4 MR. LOVITT: Yeah.

5 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

6 Q Exhibit 75 is dated December 11th 1998; is  
7 that right?

8 MR. LOVITT: That's right.

9 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

10 Q And that is before February 12th 1999; is  
11 that right? Let's just let the witness answer.

12 MR. LOVITT: That is not the pertinent  
13 exhibit that talks about -- okay. I am wrong. Sorry.

14 MS. HASSELMAN: Okay.

15 MR. LOVITT: Disregard everything I said  
16 about that.

17 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

18 Q You could turn back to Exhibit 127,  
19 Mr. Cristiano. And back on page KMH 11026 and the legal  
20 matters section, the last sentence says that the company  
21 confirms that the potential claim by the Ngs relating to  
22 their occupancy of the company's San Francisco shopping  
23 mall is not expected to result in a material loss to the  
24 company. Is that right?

25 A Yes.

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1 Q Do you recall what that is referring to?

2 A A tenant problem with the Ngs, I believe in  
3 South San Francisco shopping center owned by Kelly-Moore  
4 Paint.

5 Q And there was a -- was that a landlord  
6 tenant dispute?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And were the Ngs tenants of Kelly-Moore?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Were they tenants of the entire shopping  
11 mall or just one store or what was the scope of their  
12 tenancy?

13 A One store but the shopping mall was owned  
14 by Kelly-Moore.

15 Q So a landlord tenant dispute for a single  
16 store in a shopping mall was worth mentioning to Ernst &  
17 Young but the thousands of asbestos claims that had been  
18 filed against Kelly-Moore --

19 MR. LOVITT: Objection. Argumentative.

20 MS. SMITH: Objection.

21 MS. HASSELMAN: Emi, did you get the end  
22 of my question? Before the objections came in, I had  
23 said, but the thousands of asbestos claims that have  
24 been filed against Kelly-Moore. And then I said, were  
25 not mentioned, were not worth mentioning. But the

1 objections drowned that out.

2 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

3 MR. SULLIVAN: Object as to form. That  
4 misstates the prior testimony.

5 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

6 Q Do you have an answer to the question,  
7 Mr. Cristiano?

8 A No, I just think you are trying to make me  
9 feel bad and you didn't. So that's all I have to say.

10 Q Looking at page 11025 in the contingent  
11 liability section -- this is in Exhibit 127 -- you still  
12 believed at this time that nothing with the asbestos  
13 litigation was serious enough to merit reporting to  
14 Ernst & Young?

15 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

16 MR. SULLIVAN: Object to form. Misstates  
17 prior testimony.

18 A Reports were being done by our attorney,  
19 Cheryl Mills, to Ernst & Young.

20 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

21 Q I will go to the next exhibit, 128.

22 (Exhibit No. 128 marked  
23 for identification.)

24  
25 Q Exhibit 128 is Bates stamped KMH 007206.

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1 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

2 Q The next exhibit, this is Exhibit 129 is  
3 Bate stamped EY 70 through 77.

4 (Exhibit No. 129 marked  
5 for identification.)

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7 Q Mr. Cristiano, have you seen this document  
8 before?

9 A Yes, in 2000.

10 Q On the second to last page is that your  
11 signature?

12 A Yes.

13 Q And did Mr. Ferrari draft this document?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Did you review it for accuracy before  
16 signing it?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Could you look at the very last page Bate  
19 stamped EY 77? What is this page?

20 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

21 A It appears to be an adjustment of the audit  
22 numbers where they recorded \$724,000 incorrectly, and  
23 the 724,000 is corrected here.

24 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

25 Q And is it your understanding that this

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1 letter is referring to matters for the fiscal year 1999?

2 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

3 A Yes.

4 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

5 Q If you could turn to the page stamped  
6 EY 73, under contingent liabilities, you see the  
7 language that there are no unasserted claims or  
8 assessments including those our lawyers have advised us  
9 of that are probable of assertion and must be disclosed?

10 A Yes.

11 Q It continues from there. I don't mean to  
12 characterize it, that that is the end of the document.

13 At the time of this letter in February of  
14 2000, did you still believe that nothing serious enough  
15 was happening with asbestos litigation to warrant  
16 disclosure to the auditors?

17 MR. SULLIVAN: Object as to form.

18 A Our attorney was continuing to advise us  
19 that we had adequate insurance.

20 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

21 Q Is it your understanding that Ms. Mills was  
22 reporting asbestos litigation matters to Ernst & Young?

23 MS. SMITH: Object to form.

24 A Yes.

25 BY MS. HASSELMAN:

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**SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA**

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# EXHIBIT 3

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2                   FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
3                   SAN FRANCISCO AND OAKLAND DIVISION  
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7    )  
8     Plaintiffs,    )  
9    ) Case No.  
10    vs.    )  
11    K-M INDUSTRIES HOLDING CO., INC., et al.,        )  
12    Defendants.    )  
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1 the law through Congress that sort of thing. We have  
2 been made aware of those, those changes made it  
3 necessary amendments to the plan, voted on those  
4 amendments, and then presented those to the board.

5 Q Any other times?

6 MS. DILLER: Same objections.

7 MR. PALMER: Same objection. Calls for a  
8 legal conclusion.

9 A Those are the two that stick out in my  
10 mind. You know, without looking through the board  
11 minutes or reviewing documents and everything, that's  
12 all I can really recall at this time.

13 BY MR. JACKSON:

14 Q And you referred to the ESOP committee.

15 How long has there been an ESOP committee?

16 A I believe there have been ESOP committee  
17 since 1998.

18 Q Is it your understanding that the only  
19 member of the ESOP committee -- strike.

20 Who is on the ESOP committee from 1998  
21 until 2003, if you know?

22 A I believe that Mr. Moore was on the ESOP  
23 committee -- William Moore. And then in 2002 or 2003,  
24 somewhere in that time frame Mr. Herb Giffins was on the  
25 committee, sole committee member.

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1 Q Prior to 2002 or 2003 when Mr. Giffins came  
2 on as the sole committee member, was Mr. Moore the sole  
3 committee member?

4 A As far as I'm aware, yes.

5 Q When did Mr. Giffins stop being the sole  
6 committee member?

7 A In the year 2004.

8 Q Did he remain on the committee starting in  
9 2004?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Who joined him?

12 A Mr. Cazzolla.

13 Q Anyone else?

14 A And myself.

15 Q Who is currently on the committee?

16 A Mr. DeVoe, Mr. Cazzolla, Mr. Bob Erickson,  
17 and myself.

18 Q From 2004 until now have there been any  
19 other members of the committee and who were they?

20 A No, those are all the members listed.

21 Q When did Mr. Giffins drop off?

22 A When he retired.

23 Q And who replaced him?

24 A Mr. DeVoe.

25 Q When did Mr. Erickson join?

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1 have it up through his retirement?

2 A He had it up through his retirement.

3 Q For who was the Paint president? Is it  
4 Mr. Moore was the Paint president and CEO until 1984; is  
5 that correct?

6 A I'm not sure the title of Mr. Moore during  
7 that time period.

8 Q Do you know what Mr. Moore's duties were  
9 during that time period?

10 A Well, I assume he was the president of the  
11 company. I don't know whether he held the CEO title.  
12 But he was also the owner of the company and I'm sure  
13 made all the decisions for the company during that time.

14 Q What about from 1984 until 2000, what were  
15 his duties during that period?

16 MR. PALMER: Object to form.

17 A Without seeing the minutes and everything,  
18 I'm not aware. I assume that he was chairman of the  
19 board during that time. But after his retirement and  
20 the new president, Joseph Cristiano, not quite sure what  
21 his duties were at that point.

22 BY MR. JACKSON:

23 Q Was he still very active in the company?

24 MR. PALMER: Object to form.

25 A I believe that he was, yes.

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1 BY MR. JACKSON:

2 Q And why do you believe that he was?

3 A He was hands on with the way he ran the  
4 company as president and such and believe that he  
5 probably continued to be so after his retirement.

6 Q When you say after his retirement, you mean  
7 after he stepped down as president in 1984?

8 A Correct.

9 Q When you say you assume he continued to be  
10 hands on, what do you mean by hands on?

11 A Well, be involved in the company. I mean,  
12 he was the owner of the company so, obviously, had a  
13 vested interest in the success of the company.

14 MR. BORNSTEIN: Excuse me. I just want to  
15 have another objection. I don't believe this topic is  
16 on the list, so I don't think this is going to bind the  
17 company in the structure of the duties of Mr. Moore  
18 after he retired.

19 MR. JACKSON: I believe it falls within  
20 organization, but I hear your objection.

21 MR. LOVITT: Well, the witness has no  
22 actual knowledge of this. That's why it would be  
23 inappropriate for him to speak for the company.

24 BY MR. JACKSON:

25 Q When did you start with the company?